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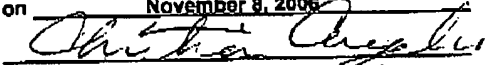
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Response To Election Requirement

The following is in response to the October 13, 2006 Office Action relating to the above-referenced application. In the Office Action claims 1-28 are pending and election of a single disclosed species has been requested.

The Office Action contends that claims 1-28 are generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising multiple cationized polysaccharides and requests election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.

Applicants elect as a single species for prosecution on the merits a polysaccharide having a first substituent of the formula $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}(\text{OH})-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}^+((\text{CH}_3)_2)\text{CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5 \text{ Cl}^-$ and a second substituent of the formula $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}(\text{OH})-\text{CH}_2-\text{N}^+((\text{CH}_3)_3) \text{ Cl}^-$, wherein the first substituent and second substituent are present in the molar ratio within the range of from 10:1 to 1:10.

Applicants submit that claims 1-28 are readable on the elected single species.